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Please amend the paragraph on page 12 beginning line 16 and ending line 20, as follows:

---In Step 112, a stand-alone flag is set to 1, and in Step 113, a message, implying that the operations of both of the stand-alone mode and the remote mode can be performed, is indicated on the display panel 52 (Figs. 1 and 4). An example of the message is shown by reference E1 in Fig. 7A.---

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12. (Amended) An image reading device comprising:

[means for optically reading] a device that optically reads an image recorded on a recording material sheet to generate image data;

[means for transmitting] a device that transmits said image data to [an] a computer provided externally to said image reading device;

[means for determining] a device that determines, based on a state of said recording medium, whether a recording operation of said image data recording processor is possible; and

[means for controlling said transmitting means and said recording means, said control means] a device that controls and transmitting device and said recording device, said device controls prohibiting said recording operation and allowing said image data transmitting [means] device to transmit said image data to said computer when said determining device determines that said recording operation is impossible.